

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the  
Board of Education of Ponca Public Schools  
May 20, 2019 7:30 p.m.**

The Board of Education of Dixon County School District 1 (also known as Ponca Public Schools) held a regular meeting on Monday, May 20, 2019 in the Ponca Public Schools Library at 505 West 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Ponca, NE. The meeting was convened in open and public session and advance notice was publicly posted at the Bank of Dixon County, the Dixon County courthouse, the post office and the school house door, published in the Nebraska Journal Leader, and given to all members of the Board of Education.

President Book called the regular meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., informed the public that a current copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted on the wall of the meeting room, and led the salute to the flag. Roll call was taken. Members present were Book, Burki, Dohma, Fethkenher, Gill and Kramper. Others present included Supt. Phillips, Principal Lahm, Principal Hayes, Kristie Hayes, Sec. Lorrie Huston and two visitors.

There were no requests to speak before the Board.

The consent agenda was approved on a motion by Dohma and a second by Kramper. Voting Aye: Book, Burki, Dohma, Fethkenher, Gill and Kramper. M.C.U. The consent agenda included approval of the agenda, the minutes of the April 15, 2019 meeting, financial reports consisting of the treasurer's report showing a general fund balance of \$324,000.26; a depreciation fund balance of \$141,888.41; a bond fund balance of \$423,340.52; a special building fund balance of \$313,606.86; an employee benefit fund balance of \$1,493.36; an activity fund balance of \$221,255.67; a nutrition fund balance of \$11,673.14; and claims and accounts consisting of general fund disbursements of \$59,523.79 and a bond fund payment of \$112,351.88. Credit card payments and the May payroll report were also included.

Dohma moved to approve the payment to MB Mowing in the amount of \$1,930.00. Fethkenher seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Book, Dohma, Fethkenher, Gill, Kramper. Abstaining (with conflict): Burki. M.C.

Administration Reports and Board Communications:

**Supt. Phillips** updated the Board on the summer project schedule, the last day of school, graduation, legislative bills, valuations, budget progress, State aid, and teacher contracts.

**Principal Hayes** reported on the elementary activities, 6<sup>th</sup> grade Presidential awards, MAP testing, report card pickup, school supply orders and summer school.

**Principal Lahm** reported on the spring activities, awards night, MAP testing scores, programs of study, plans for the 2019-20 school year, new science standards, graduation and student handbook updates.

**Athletic Director Hayes** recognized State track and golf qualifiers and their accomplishments. He also spoke about 2019-20 athletic schedules, summer camps, declining numbers in football, and the donation of the old scoreboard for the practice field.

**Board Communications:** Supt. Phillips spoke about LB 289.

Discussion Items:

Supt. Phillips presented the monthly student enrollment report.

Action Items:

There were no option enrollment requests.

The resignation of Jackie Bruening as a preschool para-professional passed with a motion by Dohma, second by Burki. Voting Aye: Book, Burki, Dohma, Fethkenher, Gill, Kramper. M.C.U.

A twenty-five cent increase in lunch prices was approved on a motion by Kramper, second by Gill. Voting Aye: Book, Burki, Dohma, Fethkenher, Gill, Kramper. M.C.U.

Dohma moved to approve the Educational Service Unit Coordinating Council (ESUCC) Food Service Supply Agreement for the 2019-20 school year. Burki seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Book, Burki, Dohma, Fethkenher, Gill, Kramper. M.C.U.

Professional development expenses for Supt. Phillips were approved on a motion by Kramper, second by Gill. Voting Aye: Book, Burki, Dohma, Fethkenher, Gill, Kramper. M.C.U.

An amendment to the 2019-20 school year calendar to change graduation to Saturday May 9<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m. was approved on a motion by Kramper, second by Gill. Voting Aye: Book, Burki, Dohma, Fethkenher, Gill, Kramper. M.C.U.

At 8:37 pm, Burki moved to go into executive session for personnel and the evaluation of job performance clearly necessary for the protection of the public interest or for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual in compliance with the law. Dohma seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Book, Burki, Dohma, Fethkenher, Gill, Kramper. M.C.U.

The executive session was ended at 9:12 p.m. on a motion by Burki, second by Fethkenher. Voting Aye: Book, Burki, Dohma, Fethkenher, Gill, Kramper. M.C.U.

At 9:15 pm, Gill moved to go into executive session for personnel and the evaluation of job performance clearly necessary for the protection of the public interest or for the prevention of needless injury to the reputation of an individual in compliance with the law. Dohma seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Book, Burki, Dohma, Fethkenher, Gill, Kramper. M.C.U.

The executive session was ended at 9:49 p.m. on a motion by Burki, second by Fethkenher. Voting Aye: Book, Burki, Dohma, Fethkenher, Gill, Kramper. M.C.U.

Dohma moved to approve a classified staff salary increase of 2.5% and a health insurance contribution increase of \$26.67 per month for each tier. For classified staff not taking district insurance, the salary increase will be 3%. Kramper seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Book, Burki, Dohma, Fethkenher, Gill, Kramper. M.C.U.

The next regular board meeting will be held June 17, 2019 at 7:30 p.m. at the Ponca Public Schools library.

At 9:53 p.m., Dohma moved to adjourn the meeting. Burki seconded the motion. Voting Aye: Book, Burki, Dohma, Fethkenher, Gill, Kramper. M.C.U.

Respectfully submitted,  
Lorrie Huston, Board Secretary